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Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed July 11, 2005, setting a three-month statutory period for response. Therefore, this amendment is timely filed. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

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